Year	Business Visa Issued to Chines Nationals
2004	15979
2005	22427
2006	33960
2007	48146
2008	58658
2009 (Up June)	26014

(b) to (d) Business visa does not permit nationals of other countries to work in India. Government has taken note of the potential misuse of the Business Visa and has issued an advisory to all the Missions and Posts abroad to strictly observe the norms for grant of Business Visas as specified in the Visa Manual.

Accidents in Metro Rail Projects

†*463. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR :
SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of accidents in the Delhi Metrol Rail and the number of people, who died and injured in these accidents;

(b) whether compensation was given to the dependents of the dead and the injured people, if so, the details of the amount paid and the names of such dependents;

(c) whether CAG has mentioned irregularities in Delhi Metro in its report in this regard;

(d) if so, whether an investigation was done and action taken against the persons responsible; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY) : (a) Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) Ltd. has reported that 130 number of accidents occurred during the last eleven years of construction phase. The details of accidents, fatalities and injuries are enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(b) The compensation is reported to have been paid/deposited with Woman Compensation Commissioner in most of the cases involving fatalities as well as injuries. Further details are being collected.

(c) Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG)'s performance audit report on implementation of Phase-I of Delhi Mass Transit System by Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. does not contain any reference in regard to accidents or payment of compensation thereof. However, it has made certain recommendations highlighting the innovative practices undertaken for successful implementation of the project as well as certain observations 'to facilitate the management to further improve its systems and bring it at par with the best practices'. The CAG's report has been laid in Parliament.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

The Details of accidents, fatalities and injuries in Delhi Metro Rail

Phase	Period	Km	No. of accident	Fatalities	Injuries
Phase-I	1st Oct., 1998 to December, 2005	65.05	82	55	39
Phase-2 including extensions and Airport Link	December, 2005 to till date	121.5	4.8	47#	55**
		TOTAL	130	102*	94

*Figure of 102 fatalities includes 15 deaths involving road accidents and others not attributable to construction work directly. Details are as under :-

1 death	-	lightening
3 deaths	-	Collapse of water tank at labour rest place
2 deaths	-	Heart attack/natural death
8 deaths	-	Road accidents other than construction site
1 death	-	Electrocution

includes one outsider

**including 7 outsiders

Muslim Community Abroad

*464. SHRI MOHD. ALI KHAN : Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has any details of the muslim minority people who have gone abroad for work and studies;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last five years, country-wise and purpose-wise;

(c) whether Government is providing any financial assistance to them in case of any difficulty;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, by when such financial help would be provided to those persons who are facing trouble abroad?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI) : (a) to (e) No, Sir. Statistics based on religion are not maintained. The Indian missions extend help as and when overseas Indians in distress require assistance.

In addition, in 17 ECR countries 'Indian Community Welfare Fund' to extend on-site welfare services to all overseas Indians in distress has been established.

Starting of 3G Services

*465. SHRI VIRENDRA BHATIA :

SHRI NAND KISHORE YADAV :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether BSNL and MTNL have already started their 3G services in their respective areas and if so, the details of the circle-wise number of subscribers of these PSUs till May, 2009;